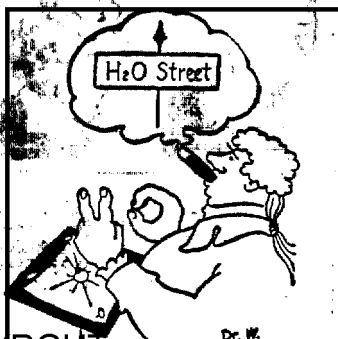


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Q. How is it that there is a 13½ street?
A. When L'Enfant was laying out Washington, he was required by political patronage to hire an assistant who counted on his fingers and got into trouble with any number larger than 10. He messed up in numbering the streets at about 12th street and the only way L'Enfant could straighten it out was to make a 13½ street. This was one extra street, so L'Enfant had to take one out somewhere and he decided on J street, figuring, correctly, that not many people would notice.